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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF FINNISH CIVIL SERVANTS TO FDS
IMPORT INSPECTION FACILITIES

REF: ERKKI PETAJA'S SEPT 9 LETTER TO DR. ROBERT WEIK

1. CUSTOMS OFFICIAL ERKKI PETAJA IS PLANNING A LABORATORY WHICH WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION OF ALL FINNISH FOOD IMPORTS. MR. PETAJA, PROFESSOR OLAVI NIKKILA AND CUSTOMS OFFICIAL PAULI KEKKONEN WISH TO BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH FDA IMPORT INSPECTION PROCEDURES.

2. MR. PETAJA TALKED WITH DR. WEIK IN STOCKHOLM IN JUNE ABOUT VISITING FDS IMPORT INSPECTION FACILITIES ON EAST COAST. MRM PETAJA HAS SUBSEQUENTLY WRITTEN LETTER TO DR. WEIK CONCERNING SCHEDULING OF VISIT. AS YET THERE HAS BEEN NO REPLY.

3. MR. PETAJA WOULD APPRECIATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS SCHEDULE SO THAT NECESSARTY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. ALL TRAVEL WILL BE MADE WITH FINNISH GOVERNMENT FUNDS.
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